

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1.(original) A set comprising:

- a first footwear article (1) intended for the practice of a first sport comprising :

- a first rigid shell defining a body (2) intended to receive the foot of a first user and extending in a longitudinal direction (8),

- a second rigid shell defining a top (4) intended to receive the leg of the user and substantially extending in an upward direction (10),

- an articulation (6) connecting the body and the top having specific mechanical resistance characteristics,

- a second footwear article (101) also intended for the practice of a second sport, comprising :

- a first rigid shell defining a body (102) intended to receive the foot of a second user and extending in a longitudinal direction (108),

- a second rigid shell defining a top (104) intended to receive the leg of the user and substantially extending in an upwards direction (110),

- an articulation (106) connecting the body and the top having specific mechanical resistance characteristics, characterised in that :

- the first shell (2) of the first footwear article (1) is substantially identical to the first body (102) of the second footwear article (101),

- the second body (4) of the first footwear article (1) and the second body (104) of the second footwear article (101) are similar,
- the mechanical characteristics of the articulation (6) of the first footwear article (1) and the mechanical characteristics of the articulation (106) of the second footwear article (101) are substantially different in order to correspond to the physiological differences between the first and second user and/or differences between the first and second sport.

2.(original) A set according to claim 1, characterised in that the second shell (4) of the first footwear article (1) is substantially identical to the second shell (104) of the second footwear article (101).

3.(currently amended) A set according to claim 1 [[or claim 2]], characterised in that for each footwear article (1; 101) the articulation (6; 106) is separate from the first shell (2; 102) and the second shell (4; 104), and the articulation (6) of the first footwear article (1) can replace the articulation (106) of the second footwear article (101) and vice versa.

4.(currently amended) A set according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that the articulation (6; 106) of each footwear member (1; 101) permits rotation of the top in relation to the body about two axes of rotation (8, 12) which are substantially perpendicular to each other and lateral movement of the articulations in relation to the body in order to bring the axes of rotation of the articulation substantially in line with the axes of rotation of the foot in relation to the user's leg.

5.(currently amended) A set according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that:

- the articulation of the first footwear article and the articulation of the second footwear article each comprise two elastically deformable members (14, 14') symmetrically arranged in relation to the upward direction (10),
- each elastically deformable member comprises two ribs (16, 18; 116, 118; 216, 218) which are substantially inwardly curved and positioned opposite each other.

6.(original) A set according to claim 5, characterised in that the ribs (16, 18) of the first footwear article (1) and the ribs (116, 118) of the second footwear article (101) are made of different materials.

7.(currently amended) A set according to claim 5 [[or claim 6]], characterised in that the ribs (16, 18) of the first footwear article (1) and the ribs (116, 118) of the second footwear article (101) have different cross-sections (E, e).

8.(currently amended) A set according to ~~any one of claims 5 to 7~~ claim 5, characterised in that the two elastically deformable members (14, 14') for each footwear article have different mechanical characteristics.

9.(currently amended) A set according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that:

- the upward direction and the longitudinal direction in each footwear article define a median plane,
- each footwear article comprises stops to limit the amplitude of rotation (α_1 , α_2) in the median plane to a value of between 50 degrees and 60 degrees.

10.(currently amended) A set according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that each footwear article comprises stops to restrict the amplitude of rotation (θ_1 , θ_2) along the longitudinal direction to a value of between 25 degrees and 35 degrees.

11.(currently amended) A set according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that the amplitude of lateral movement of the articulation axis in each footwear article in relation to the body is between 5 millimetres and 15 millimetres.